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Excursion Rates East.

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How the Nation's Wards Are Becoming Wealthy Through Uncle Sam's Bounty.

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The stock cattle of the Indians number about 4,500. They are of good grade, a very large part of them being Montana bred cows, which are served by 200 bulls. Among the latter are very few inferior animals. The cattle are distributed among the different families, each family having a distinct and separate brand, making this 40 different brands among the Crows, besides the general brand of the "Crow". The cattle are breeding better than Indian cattle generally bred. An Indian cow, ordinarily, seldom calves, owing to the queer handling she gets from the Indians, but these Crows, under the discipline of the white man who control them, are learning to handle stock more profitably. Mr. Steele says that the cattle are more likely to have an accident happen to them than before, for the Crows do not overfeed.

Last fall the Indians put about 1,000 tons of hay but, owing to the winter in Montana this feed has not been needed. The big government irrigation ditches have not proven a success, for, owing to the nature of the soil they have cut down. However, they were not needed in the past season, as rain was plenty on the reserve.

Mr. Steele is one of the older employees at the agency and has by his energy and attention to business made himself a valuable aid to the agent in the fur and stock raising industries of the Crow Indians, to which matters the present excellent agent of the Crow Agency has earned and particular attention.

Cattle in Good Shape.

Miles City Journal: Mr. John W. Butler, manager of the Continental cattle company of Montana and Texas, has returned to Dallas, Texas, from a trip to visit Texas, and reports that cattle of that section are in better condition than for years at the corresponding season. At Colorado City he says that the butchers are supplying their customers with a good quality of fat beef right up to the range. In fact cattle are being shipped to the range all the way west. He says the shipments of cattle from the Texas country to the Nation this year will begin in the month of May. The cattle of the west are in excellent condition to go through the winter. While in Colorado City Col. Butler saw a fine horse race and came out four times ahead, his horse winning by a nose.

Major Pease's Purchase.

Miles City Journal: The Crow Agency buildings in this country, sixteen miles south of Stillwater station, were sold at auction this month by the government. They consist of two-story quarters, including one two-story dwelling and several good warehouses. All the buildings are made of stone. A beautiful stream of mountain water runs in a ditch in the midst of the buildings. Many acres of irrigated land are close by. A fine trout stream, the Little Rosebud, is in the foreground. The major Pease, at the time of the Indian Agency, was of the Crow Agency. Mr. Pease was the one Indian agent, and the property was bought in the name of the children of the Crow Agency, as members of the Crow tribe, were made near this place. The major has been made a fortune on the Indian reservation.

Dr. G. H. Keller, late veterinary surgeon of Montana, is now in Phoenix, Arizona, keeping a drug store.

Y. Eger & Co., of Billings, are going to build a four-story hotel on the corner of 18th and Main streets, to cost \$150,000, to have a capacity of 100 barbers.

About \$5,000 was realized by the lottery organized by the various mining companies of Butte for the families of the men killed in the Nevada disaster.

A correspondent writing from Cooke City says that about forty men are spending the winter in the camp developing lodges in the vicinity of Cooke City. They have obtained excellent prospects.

Almost daily numerous carloads of iron ore from the Rock Creek and Little Belt hills destined for the end of the track where it is being put down with rapidly increasing speed in railway building.

A social society has been organized in Missoula in which the most popular and fastidious young men are not eligible to membership until he has taken out himself a partner in life for better or for worse.

Utah Tracy, an old miner and prospector, was found dead in his cabin at the head of horse canyon last Saturday. The coroner's jury decided that he died from natural causes, and was due to old age and exposure.

Quite a large force of workmen are already engaged at the Red Lodge coal mines, entering the large deposits of fuel lying there, and making all the necessary arrangements to put the products of the camp upon the market as soon as the track reaches that point.